CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW Gubernatorial General Election November 4, 2014

ELECTION CALENDAR

Council Seats Open: Three (3) City Council Offices for Full Terms (Four Years)

Charter Amendment Measure: Council Compensation

When Applicable

CANDIDATE INTENTION STATEMENT – FORM 501:

Any individual who plans to be a candidate for local office and intends to solicit or receive campaign contributions for any purpose or who intends to spend funds for campaign purposes MUST file with the City Clerk a Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501) <u>before</u> soliciting or receiving any contributions (including loans) or expending any funds for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidacy.

When Applicable

STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION – FORM 410:

Any person or entity receiving \$1,000 or more in contributions in any calendar year is a "Committee" and must file a Statement of Organization with the Secretary of State and copy the City Clerk within 10 days of such receipt. Forms are available from the City Clerk's Office or on the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) website at www.fppc.ca.gov.

(Government Code 84101)

June 10 and July 1

RESOLUTIONS: City Council adopts resolutions designating when polls will open and close, ordering canvass of returns, requesting services of Registrar of Voters and requesting consolidation of November 4, 2014 election. (*Elections Code 10002, 10242, 10403*)

Between June 30 and July 14

NOTICE OF ELECTION: City Clerk to publish once, a notice of Gubernatorial General Election, not earlier than the 127th nor later than the 113th day prior to election. (*Elections Code 12101, 12102 and Government Code 6061*)

July 14 through August 8 (at 5:00 p.m.)

NOMINATION PERIOD-FIRST AND LAST FILING

<u>DATES</u>: Voters may nominate candidates for election by signing a nomination paper not earlier than the 113th day nor later than 5:00 p.m. on the 88th day before a municipal election. Forms must be secured from the City Clerk and signed by at least 20 registered voters but not more than 30. Any person registered to vote at the election, and qualified to vote for the elective office of the City for which the nomination is made, may circulate a nomination paper. Any circulator, including the candidate, may also sign it. Last day to file nominations with the City Clerk is 5:00 p.m., August 8.

A candidate may withdraw his/her nomination papers up to the deadline, August 8, no later than 5:00 p.m. (*Elections Code* 10220, 10224, 10227, 10407)

July 14 through August 8 (at 5:00 p.m.) CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT AND FEE: If candidate elects to do so, candidate's statement must be filed with the nomination paper and will remain confidential during the filing period. The statement may be withdrawn, but not altered, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

(Elections Code 13307, 13311)

Pursuant to the City of Mountain View Campaign Finance Ordinance, a candidate who files a candidate's statement, accepts the VEL (\$22,689) and pays the first \$500 for the cost of publishing the candidate statement in the voter's pamphlet at the time he/she files nomination papers, will be eligible to have the City pay for the balance of the cost of approximately \$1,514 of the estimated \$2,014 candidate statement fee for the November 4, 2014 Gubernatorial General Election, subject to certain limitations. If a candidate exceeds the VEL by no more than \$500, he/she shall repay 25 percent of the City's contribution toward the candidate statement. If a candidate exceeds the VEL by more than \$500, he/she shall repay the City's entire portion.

July 25

<u>WRITTEN ARGUMENTS</u>: Last day to file with the City Clerk written arguments for or against measure. Not to exceed 300 words. Direct arguments may not be withdrawn or changed after this date.

(Elections Code 9281, 9282, 9286, 9287, 9295)

July 26 through August 4 PUBLIC EXAMINATION OF ARGUMENTS AND ANALYSIS: Copy of written arguments for or against measure and impartial analysis of measure are made available for public examination in the City Clerk's Office for 10 days prior to submitting the materials to the County Registrar of Voters for printing. Any person may obtain a copy of such materials. (*Elections Code 9295*)

July 31 5:00 p.m. <u>CAMPAIGN</u> <u>DISCLOSURE</u> <u>STATEMENT</u> <u>DUE</u>: <u>Semiannual</u> <u>Statement</u>—file with the City Clerk. Deadline for financial disclosure report for the period January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014.

August 1

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENTS: Last day to file with the City Clerk rebuttal arguments. Not to exceed 250 words. (Elections Code 9285, 9286)

August 1

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE: Last day to receive the City Attorney's impartial analysis of the measure showing the effect it will have on the existing law, etc. This shall be printed in the voter's pamphlet preceding the argument's for and against the measure. Analysis shall not exceed 500 words. (Elections Code 9280)

August 2 through August 11 **PUBLIC EXAMINATION FOR REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS:** Copy of rebuttal arguments are made available for public examination in the City Clerk's Office for 10 days prior to submitting the materials to the County Registrar of Voters for printing. Any person may obtain a copy of such materials. (*Elections Code* 9295)

August 6 through November 3 **CONTRIBUTION/INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES REPORT – FORM 497:** File with the City Clerk. Sums over \$1,000 to/from a single source must be reported within 24 hours by fax, personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service.

August 11

<u>WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT</u>: On or before 5:00 p.m. this date (the next working day after the close of the nomination period), candidates may withdraw, but not change, Candidate's Statements.

(*Elections Code 13307(a)(3)*)

August 11 through August 20 PUBLIC EXAMINATION OF VOTER PAMPHLET MATERIALS (CANDIDATE'S STATEMENTS): A copy of the voter's pamphlet material is to be made available for public review in the City Clerk's Office for 10 calendar days immediately following the filing deadline for submission of these documents. Any person may obtain a copy of such materials. Any writ of mandate request shall be filed no later than the end of the 10-calendar-day public examination period. (Elections Code 13313)

August 14

RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING: Secretary of State will conduct randomized alphabet drawing, which shall determine the order in which candidates' names will be placed on the ballot. (*Elections Code 13112*)

Between August 14 and October 28

PUBLICATION—NOMINEES AND CENTRAL COUNTING PLACE: Suggested dates for City Clerk to publish list of nominees in ballot order and central counting place. Published once.

(Elections Code 12109, 12110; Gov. Code Sec. 6066)

August 26

<u>COUNCIL</u> <u>CANDIDATE</u> <u>ORIENTATION</u>: The orientation is scheduled at 5:00 p.m. in the Plaza Conference Room at City Hall.

September 25 through October 14 **SAMPLE BALLOTS:** The Santa Clara Registrar of Voters shall mail sample ballots to each voter. (*Elections Code 13303*)

October 6

<u>CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT DUE-FORM</u> <u>460</u>: First Preelection Statement—file with the City Clerk. Deadline for financial disclosure report for period of July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014.

October 6

VOTE BY MAIL VOTER'S BALLOT: Written application for vote by mail voter's ballot may be filed with the Registrar of Voters or the City Clerk between 29 and 7 days prior to the election. Forms may be obtained from the City Clerk or the Registrar of Voters. The Registrar of Voters shall determine that the signature and residence address on the application is the same as that on the original affidavit of registration. (*Elections Code 3001, 3009, 3302*)

October 6 through October 30 **POSTING OF CAMPAIGN FORMS ONLINE–FORM** 460: First Preelection Statement—the City Clerk shall post all campaign disclosure forms on the City's website within five business days of the FPPC filing due date (October 6, 2014) as required by the City of Mountain View Campaign Finance Ordinance.

October 20

VOTER REGISTRATION CLOSES: Last day to register to vote for the November 4, 2014 election. (*Elections Code* 2107)

October 23

<u>CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT DUE—FORM</u> <u>460</u>: Second Preelection Statement—file with the City Clerk. Deadline for financial disclosure report for period of October 1, 2014 through October 18, 2014.

October 23 through October 28 <u>POSTING OF CAMPAIGN FORMS ONLINE—FORM</u> <u>460</u>: Second Preelection Statement—the City Clerk shall post all campaign disclosure forms on the City's website within five business days of the FPPC filing due date (October 23, 2014) as required by the City of Mountain View Campaign Finance Ordinance.

October 28 (at 5:00 p.m.)

CUT-OFF DATE FOR CANDIDATES TO ACCEPT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS (TUESDAY PRIOR TO ELECTION): Last day for candidates to accept campaign contributions as required by the City of Mountain View Campaign Finance Ordinance.

October 28

LAST DAY TO REQUEST VOTE BY MAIL VOTER'S BALLOT:

Deadline to submit a request for a vote by mail ballot to be mailed to voter.

October 30

460: Third Preelection Statement (Thursday Prior To Election) as required by the City of Mountain View Campaign Finance Ordinance—file with the City Clerk. Deadline for financial disclosure report for period of October 21, 2014 through, and including, October 30, 2014. For this reporting period, candidates can choose to file the Mountain View campaign statement form, or the FPPC form, or develop their own form so long as it contains the

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT DUE-FORM

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required information such as the identity of the contributor, the amount of contribution and the date contribution was

The City Clerk shall publish a notice of violation of the expenditure limit (\$22,689) within 72 hours of the City's knowledge of the violation as required by City of Mountain View Ordinance No. 4-06. The notice of violation shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation and posted on the City's website and on the City Hall bulletin board.

November 4

ELECTION DAY: Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (*Elections Code* 10242, 10541, 14212)

November 4

<u>BALLOTS – RECEIVE AND PROCESS</u>: All vote by mail ballots must be voted and received by the precinct board or Registrar of Voters no later than the close of polls on Election Day. (*Elections Code 3020*)

In case of illness or disability, with written authorization, a specified close relative may deliver the voted vote by mail ballot. Vote by mail ballots may also be received at any polling place in the City by the close of polls on Election Day. (*Elections Code 3021*)

November 5

<u>POSTELECTION CONTRIBUTIONS</u>: Successful and unsuccessful candidates may begin to accept contributions pursuant to the City of Mountain View Campaign Finance Ordinance.

December 2

OFFICIAL CANVASS OF VOTES: Deadline for the Registrar of Voters to certify election results. (Elections Code 15301)

Within five days after canvass

RECOUNT OF VOTES: Last day for any voter to file a request for recount of votes. (*Elections Code 15620*)

December 9

CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS OF RETURNS: The City Clerk shall present to the City Council the record of the canvass of returns and upon acceptance, the Council shall adopt a resolution declaring the results of election. (Elections Code 10262, 10263)

January 6, 2015

<u>ELECTION CERTIFICATES</u>: The City Clerk shall sign and deliver a certificate of election to newly elected officials. The City Clerk shall also administer to each person elected the oath of office prescribed in the State Constitution. (Elections Code 10265, State Constitution Sec. 3, Article XX)

<u>CANDIDATES TAKE OFFICE</u>: Newly elected Councilmembers shall be seated and the Council shall elect one of its members as Mayor and one of its members as Vice Mayor.

February 2, 2015

<u>CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT DUE—FORM</u> <u>460</u>: Semiannual Statement—file with the City Clerk. Deadline for financial disclosure report for period October 31, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

February 5, 2015

ASSUMING OFFICE STATEMENT – FORM 700: Within 30 days after terms begin, newly elected Councilmembers must file a statement of economic interests showing investments, interests in real property, business positions held on the date of assuming the office, and income (including loans, gifts, and travel payments) received during the 12 months prior to assuming the office.